



MAKING IDAHO ROADS SAFE

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Driver Ed News

One person dies in the US every 13 minutes in a Car Crash
115 killed each day
1.2 Million killed World Wide each year
This is unacceptable!

Bad driving, aggression, frustration on the road. Most drivers have been there. Avoid Road Rage, clam down, ignore insults if you don't the results can be fatal.

Some of the Most common signs and symptoms of Road Rage include: Tailgating, Passing on the Right, Cutting Drivers Off, Weaving in and out of Traffic ("threading the needle"), Slamming brakes on tailgaters ("brake job"), Putting high beams on drivers who just cut you off, Giving other drivers obscene gestures, not allowing drivers to merge or taking liberties merging after driver has already yielded to one or more cars, running red lights, passing slow drivers and giving them "a shave" by cutting sharply in front of them, blocking and boxing in drivers who want to pass, and lack of courtesy generally. The "rage" stems from the fact that as can be observed above many of the behaviors are a response to what may be fairly characterized as justified grievances. Ignore insults and bad drivers!

Everyone Show Road Respect!



Drive Safer!

Car Crashes are the leading cause of death for teens in the United States and accidents while driving cause 36% of all deaths in this age group according to the Centers for Disease Control.

Teenage Driver Facts:

Deaths. Each Year over 5,000 teens ages 16 to 20 Die due to Fatal injuries caused Car crashes. About 400,000 drivers age 16 to 20 will be seriously injured.

Risks. The risk of being involved in a car accident the highest for drivers aged 16- to 19-year-olds than it is for any other age group. For each mile driven, teen drivers ages 16 to 19 are about four times more likely than other drivers to crash.

Stats. Teenagers are about 10 percent of the US Population but account for 12 percent all [Fatal Car Crashes](#).

Costs. Drivers under age 24 account for 30% - \$26 billion Dollars of the total costs of Car accidents in the US.

Male vs. Female. The car accident death rate for teen male drivers and passengers is more than one and a half times female teen driver (19.4 killed per 100,000 male drivers compared with 11.1 killed per 100,000 female drivers).

New Drivers. The risk of a Crash risk is much higher during the first year teenagers are able to drive.

Why are Teenager Drivers at More Risk?

- According to Studies: Teenager drivers tend to underestimate hazardous driving situations and are less able than older drivers to recognize dangerous situations.
- Teenager Drivers are more to [speed](#) and tailgate.
- Having Male teen passengers in the car has been shown to increase the likelihood of high risk driving behaviors among teenage male drivers.
- Of Male drivers [killed](#) between 15 and 20 years of age 38% were [speeding](#) and 24% had been [drinking and driving](#).
- Teens have the lowest rate of [seat belt use](#). According to surveys about 10% of high school students report they do not wear seat belts.

More Teen Accident Facts:

- About 23% of drivers ages 15 to 20 who [died in car crashes](#) had a [Blood Alcohol Counts](#) of 0.08 or higher.
- About 30% of teens reported that within the previous 30 days, they had been a passenger in a car with a driver who had been drinking alcohol. One in 10 teens said that they personally had [driven after drinking alcohol](#).
- Teen drivers killed in auto crashes after [drinking and driving](#), 74% did not wear a [seat belt](#).
- More than half of teen deaths from car crashes occurred between 3 p.m. and midnight and 54% occurred on weekends: Friday, Saturday, or Sunday.

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